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Inspection of the Seddin and Wustermark marshaling yards.

Seddin Marshaling Yard.

1. a. The yard has two humps for the formation and splitting up of trains. A total of 1,370 freight cars are being handled daily.
- b. Four type-38, 18 type-52, 21 type-74 and 8 type-93 locomotives are stationed at the marshaling yard.
- c. Installations available at the yard included:
 - 1 rectangular locomotive shed with 46 bays and inspection pits
 - 2 transfer tables, 23 meters long, with a load capacity of 250 and 400 tons respectively
 - 1 railroad car shed, 28 x 100 meters, with 4 tracks, two of them provided with inspection pits;
 - 1 work shed, 8 x 30 meters with 4 electrically operated jacks;
 - 1 turn table, 23 meters long, with a load capacity of 250 tons;
 - 2 electrically operated lifting cranes used for the loading of coal, with a lifting capacity of 1.5 and 1.2 tons respectively, 1 x 1.8 ton gantry crane used for the loading of coal;
 - 1 coal chute, at present only a 20-ton bin is in operation;
 - 2 cinder pits;
 - 2 coal bins, one with a capacity of 8,000 tons of hard coal or 9,100 tons of briquettes, the other one with a capacity of 1,350 tons of hard coal or 1,400 tons of briquettes. About 175 tons of coal are issued daily to locomotives;
 - 4 water cranes each with a capacity of 2.5 cubic meters per minute; the daily water consumption at the yard totals about 1,600 cubic meters; the water has a hardness of 8.2 degrees;
 - 3 air compressors for repair work on locomotives and railroad cars
 - 3 compressed air containers; each with a capacity of 12 cubic meters;
 - 1 warm water washing plant with 5 bays;
 - 2 oil gas containers with a capacity of 21 cubic meters and a pressure of 10 atmospheres.
- d. Freight cars of damage category G 1 and G 3 and passenger cars of damage category P 2, Po, POB and PBI. The coaches and locomotives of DB 1 and DB 2, the so-called Blue Express, are daily cleaned at Seddin.

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- c. The locomotive maintenance installation in Polzig is assigned to the Seelitz marshaling yard. Installations available at this station include 2 locomotive sheds with 6 tracks, 2 turn tables, 2 x 1.5 ton stationary coal cranes, a water supply point, 1 water crane, 1 axle drop table for railroad cars, 1 coal bin. About 15 tons of coal are issued there daily.
- d. After the construction of three more tracks and with a better organization of work, the daily capacity of the Seelitz marshaling yard could be raised to 3,512 freight cars.

Wustermarke Marshaling Yard.

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2. a. The marshaling yard has two humps for the formation and splitting up of trains. The yard is at present handling 1,097 freight cars daily.
- b. Twenty-six type-52, 4 type-23, 1 type-36 and 3 type-61 locomotives are stationed in Wustermarke.
- c. Installations available at the marshaling yard include:
 - 2 semi-circular locomotive sheds with 21 and 20 bays respectively;
 - 1 turn table, 23 meters long, with a load capacity of 350 tons and 1 turn table, 20 meters long with a load capacity of 150 tons;
 - 4 coal chutes and coal bins with a storage capacity of 1,500 tons; 20 tons are issued there daily;
 - 1 pumping plant equipped with 3 pumps with a total capacity of 225 cubic meters per hour;
 - 17 water cranes with a total capacity of 30 cubic meters per minute;
 - 1 water tower, 15 meters high with a storage capacity of 400 cubic meters; water consumption is 2,000 cubic meters per day; the water has a hardness of 9.3 degrees;
 - 1 sand house with 3 drying stoves; air compressors for repair work on locomotives and air compressors for repair work of railroad cars and for the testing of brakes;
 - 1 warm water washing plant with 6 bays;
 - 1 hydraulic axle drop table extending over three tracks, for repair work on locomotives;
 - 15 lifting jacks and 3 capstans;
 - 1 tool car;
 - 1 gas compressor plant;
 - 1 emergency power generator, 12 kw;
 - 2 Diesel engines each rated at 100 hp, and 2 A.C. dynamos each rated at 75 kv.-amp.
- d. The following locomotive maintenance points are assigned to the Wustermarke marshaling yard:
 - (1) Neustadt.
Installations available there include 1 semi-circular locomotive shed with 5 bays, each 15 meters long; 2 water towers 17 and 11 meters high with a storage capacity of 300 and 50 cubic meters respectively; 3 water cranes each of them with a capacity of 3 cubic meters per minute; 1 emergency generator; 1 coal crane; 1 coal bin with a storage capacity of 1,000 tons (daily issuance of coal: 50 tons); 1 tool car; and 1 railroad car shed with one track and an inspection pit 22 meters long.
 - (2) Rathenow.
Installations available there include 1 locomotive shed with 3 tracks, formerly operated by the "Staatseisenbahn"; 1 Reichsbahn locomotive shed; 3 water towers from 16 to 20 meters high, with a total storage capacity of 250 cubic meters; 6 water cranes with a total capacity of 22 cubic meters per minute; 3 coal bins with a total capacity of 300 tons (daily issuance of coal: 60 tons); and 2 coal cranes.

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(3) Laufen.

A water tower, 25 meters high, with a storage capacity of 10 cubic meters, 6 water cranes with a total capacity of 10 cubic meters per minute and 2 coal cranes, one of them operated electrically, the other by hand (daily issuance of coal: 50 tons) are available there. The locomotive shed is not rebuilt.

- e. A decontamination plant is also available at the Wustermark marshaling yard. The plant has three tracks on which 56 railroad cars can be parked. Eleven cars can be decontaminated simultaneously. In three shifts a total of 150 cars can be decontaminated daily.
- f. By a better organization of work, the daily capacity of the Wustermark marshaling yard could be raised from 1,027 to 2,250 freight cars.

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- * Comment. In order to check on the efficiency of the major marshaling yards, the Directorate General, Railroads, Berlin, periodically appoints special commissions. These commissions, after completing their inspections on the spot, submit proposals on means of increasing the efficiency of the installations.

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